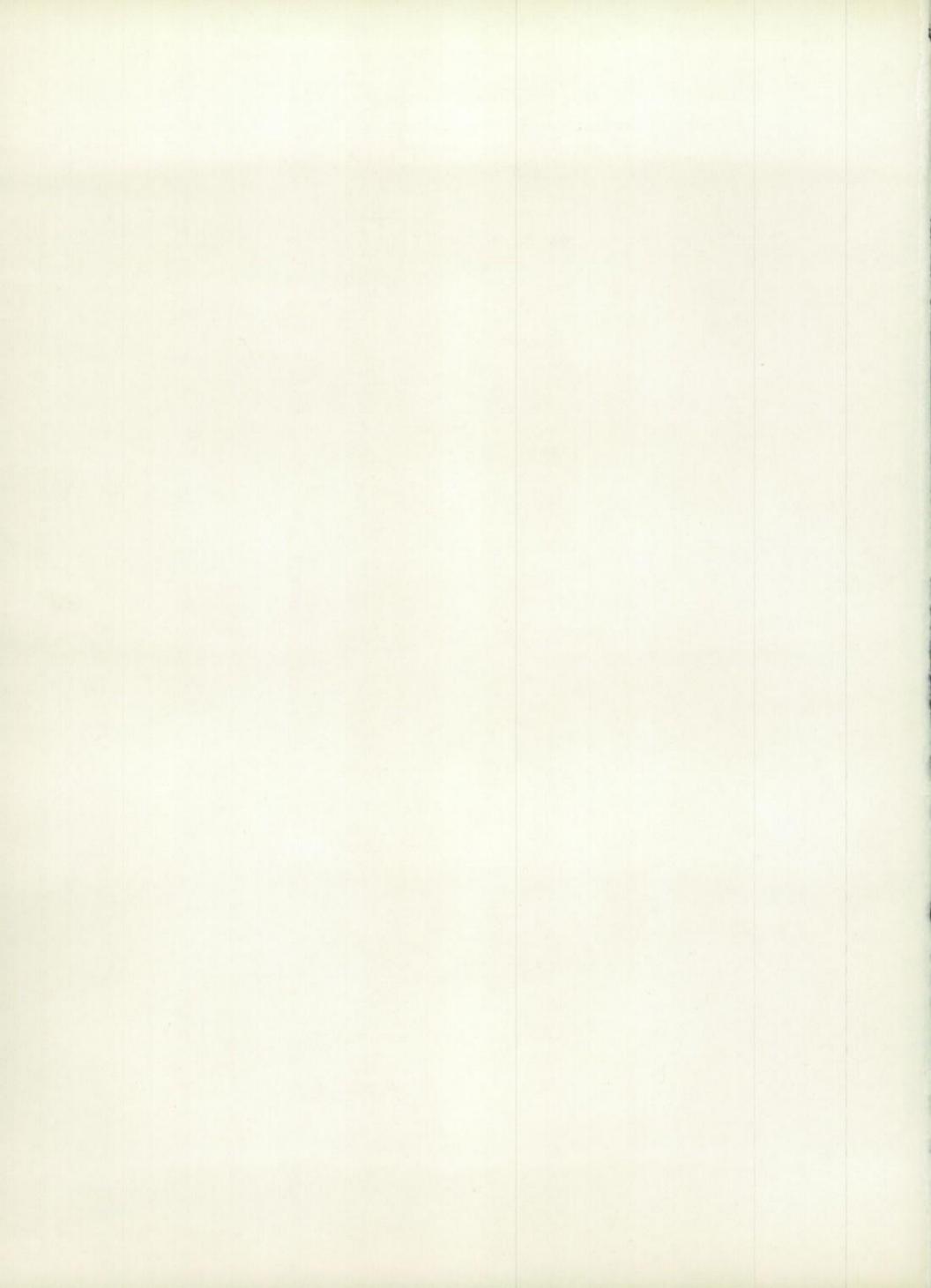
WALDEN

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80-81 DEDICATION

Deciding who to dedicate the yearbook to is a task, trying to keep in mind who we students dedicated it to last year and the year before. So, finally, one wise brain suggested to dedicate this year's yearbook to

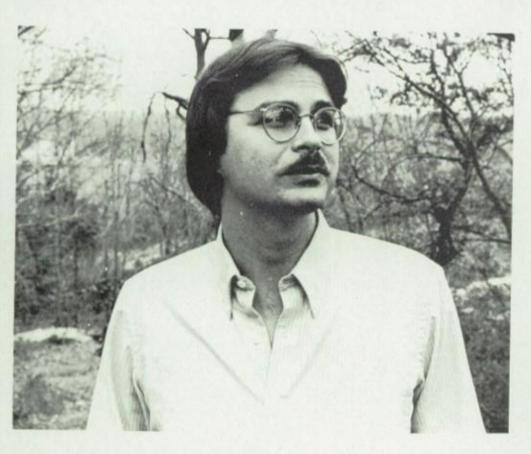
THE FACULTY

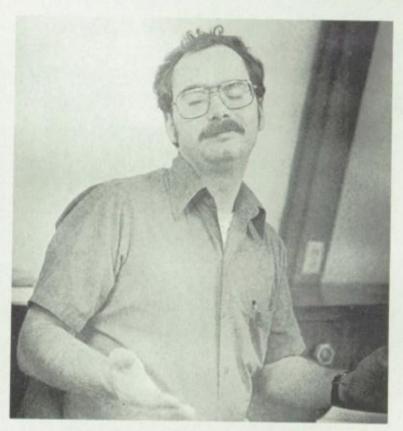
Well, we went around taking surveys, asking the students to be honest and to TELL US WHAT THEY LIKED MOST ABOUT THE FACULTY. We did this without letting them know what it was for. Here are some of the responses:

The teachers care about us students...
They're open, willing to listen...
They're damn good...
They have a sense of humor...
They're characters!...friends...
I'm able to express myself to them...
They're patient... make it fun...
They let you be yourself...
They help and understand... no pressure...
We go on a first-name basis!...
They're different... trusting... talented... intelligent...
eager to talk... relate... concerned... nice...
They teach you...



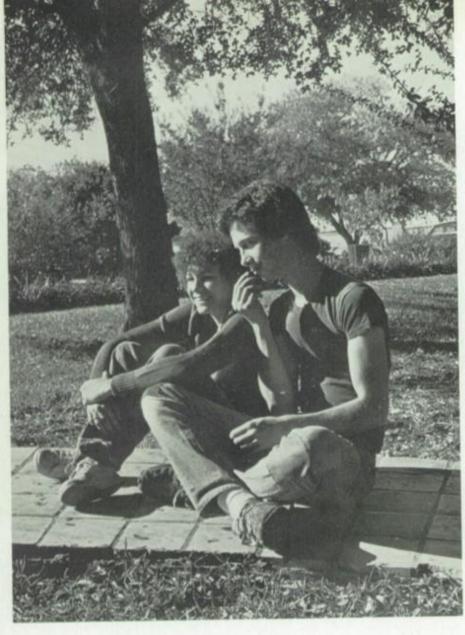












I'm a person who sees life in focus

I stand behind all the things I do,



I reach for my wildest dreams and goals



and they become real.





I walk through life with doubts...



My fears and reasons . . .



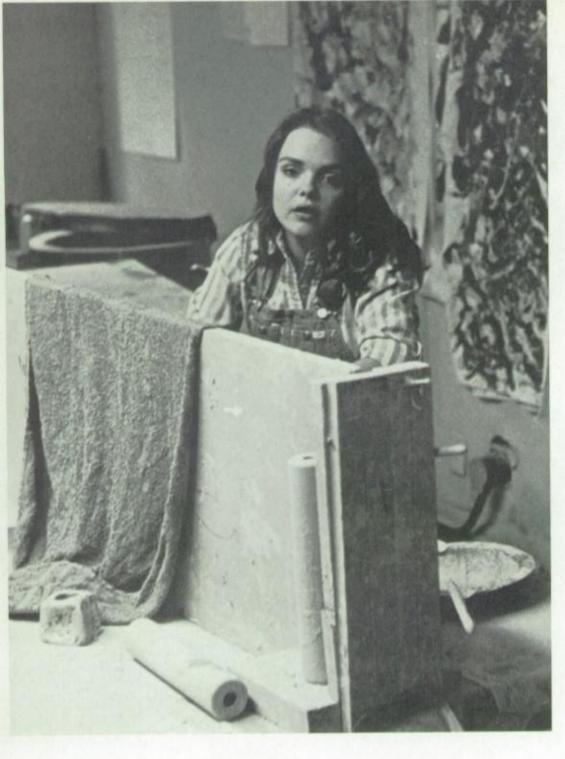
I keep my mind clean,

and open for your friendship.

I give my peace,



And it comes alive.



A group of people met in class today.





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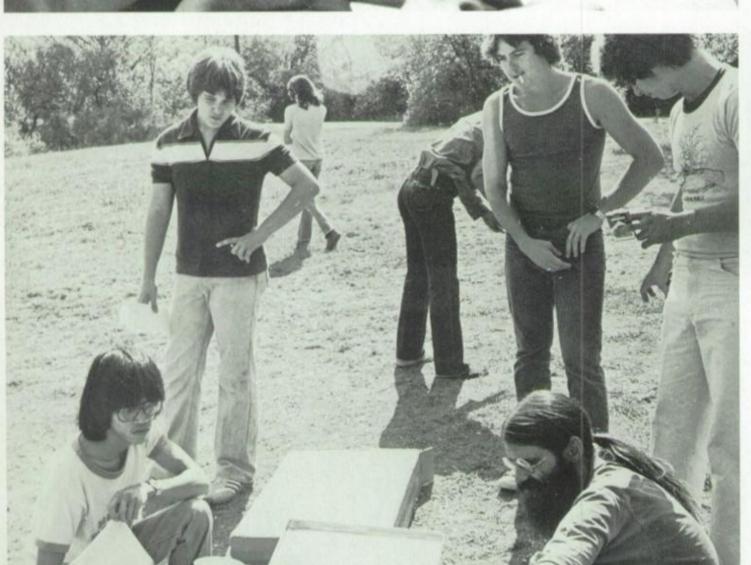
and part of the time they played.



But when it

they looked







and found

they

was all over,

within themselves





that

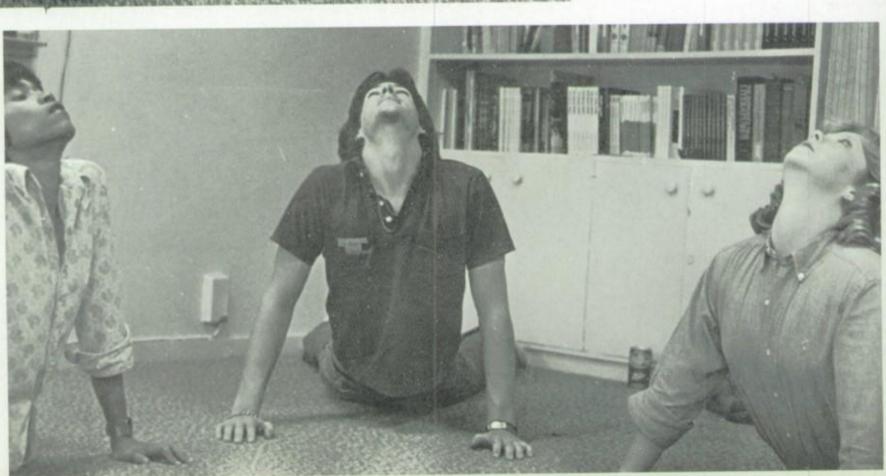
had changed.



Through YOGA

we bear a . . .





The calm mends the pain!

And to us -





finding truth is the reason.

Thank you, Stephen.

Joel Sutton
Jude Koons
Bill Bookman
Karen Barnett
Frank Homet
Bunnie Mecaskey
David Raffman
Ha Pham
Heather Brown
Greg Shuford
Joe Doina











We've got your number.

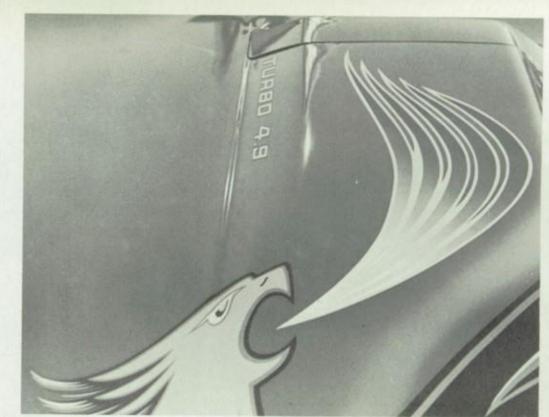
We've got the style.



PARKING LIFE

Where we stray

and where we play.







We've got the look.



And we've got the smile!

SENIORS

I found myself alone one day,

Heather Brown

Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations, I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them and try to follow where they may lead.

Dana Vineyard

Love and beauty are very great; hope we all make it through Walden to graduate.









Bryan Post

Nothing splendid has ever been achieved except by those who dared believe that something inside them was superior to circumstance. (Bruce Barton) Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds. (Albert Einstein)

Jim Hoffman

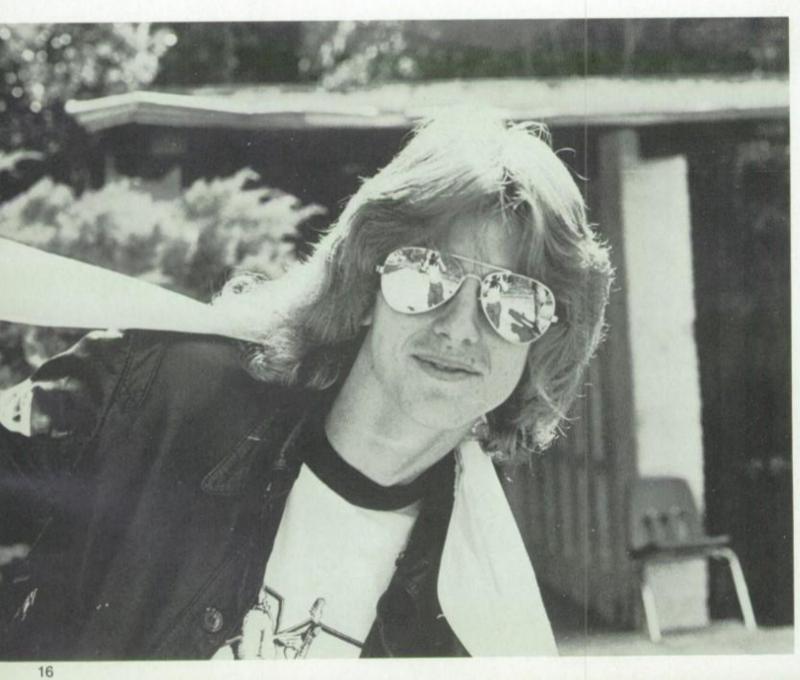
Sun is the same in a relative way, but you're old and shorter of breath and one day closer to death.



Celeste Beller No more; No more.

Greg Shuford

The bond that links your true family is not one of blood, but of respect and joy in each other's life. Rarely do members of one family grow up under the same roof.



Sloan Smith

Many dreams come true and some have silver lining. I live for my dream and a pocket full of gold. (Led Zepplin)

Julie Carlisle

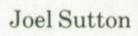
Namaste: In India when people meet and part they often say "Namaste", which means "I honor that place in you where the entire universe resides; I honor the place in you of love, of light, of peace; I honor that place within you, and I am at that place within me; there is only one of us." (Namaste)







Julia Munden







Jill Wilson

If you love something, Set it free; If it comes back to you, It's yours; if it doesn't, it never was!



Sondra Chandler

And it makes me wonder . . . (Led Zepplin)



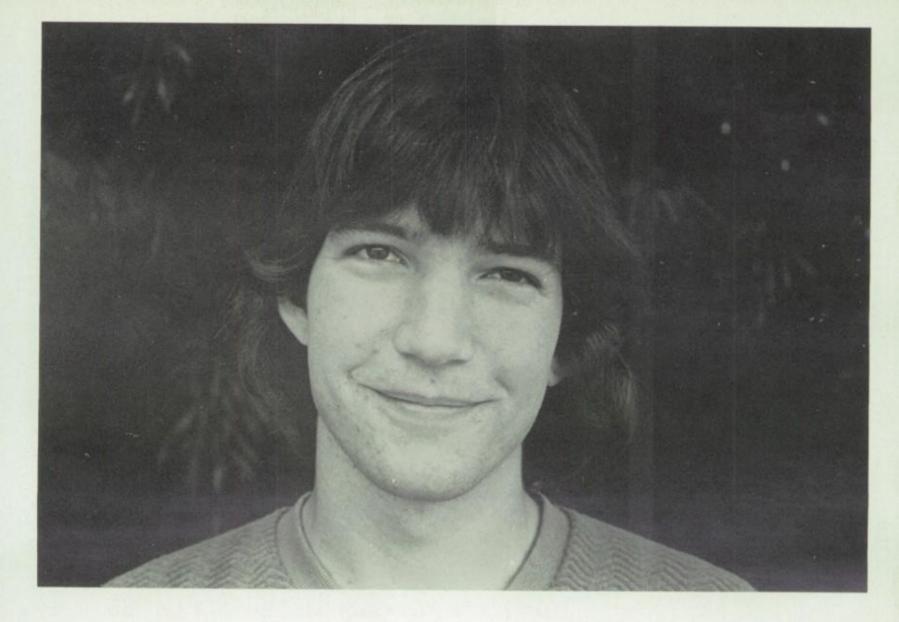
Steve Hodgson

Don't stop to borrow things you don't need; move on in life.

Jude Koons

If your mind was free, where would your soul be?





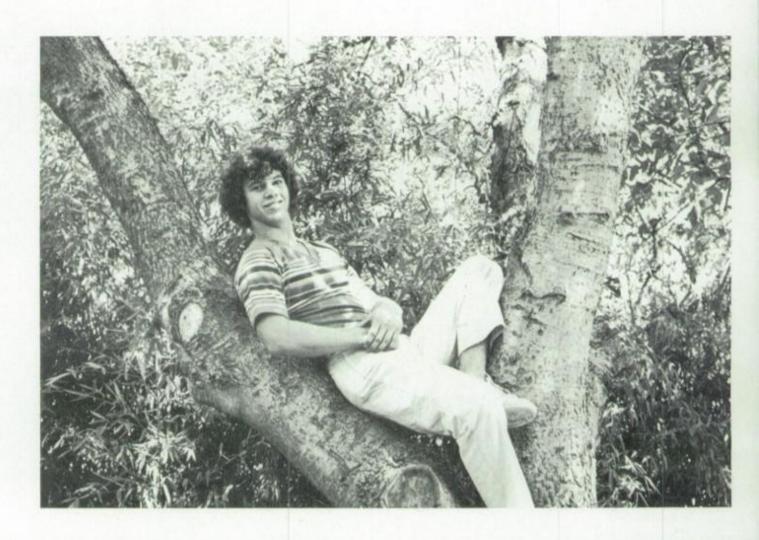
Randy Behrens

David Raffman Time stands still.



Danny Pulley

We, the willing, led by the unknowing, are doing the impossible for the impossible for the ingrateful. We have done so much for so long, with so ttle, we are now qualified to do anything with nothing.





Jennifer Keen

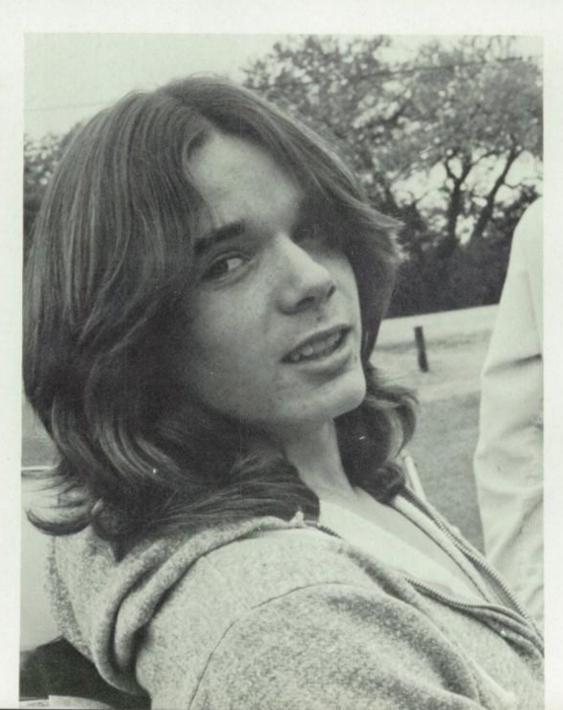
There's a train everyday,
Leaving either way.
There's a world you know,
There's a way to go.
And I'll soon be leaving,
That's just as well.
This is my opening
Farewell.

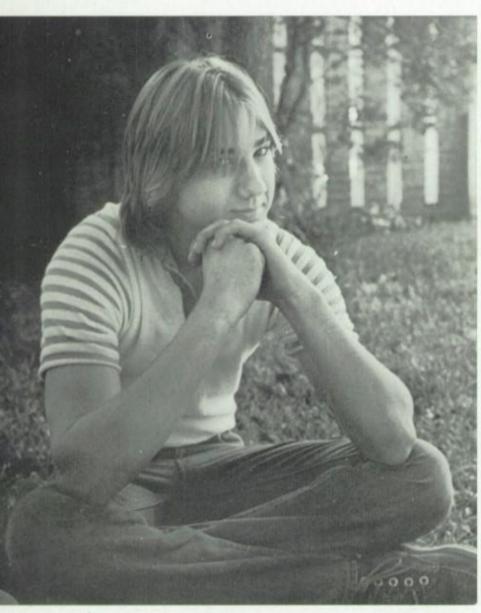
Kim Doyle



Tim Hawkins

Tell me what I'm living for. I feel like I'm tossed in the middle.





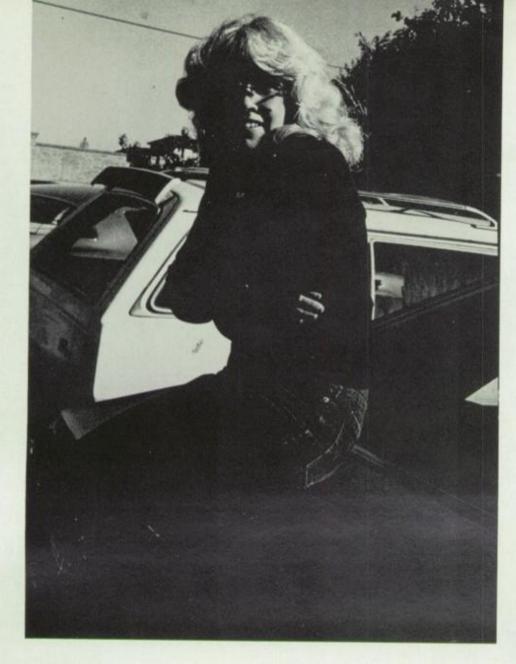
Andy Skibell —

When our weary world was young, the struggle of the ancients first began. The Gods of love and reason sought alone to rule the fate of man.

(Rush)

Brook Batson





Mary Turner —

Take it easy . . . but take it.

(Woody Gutherie)

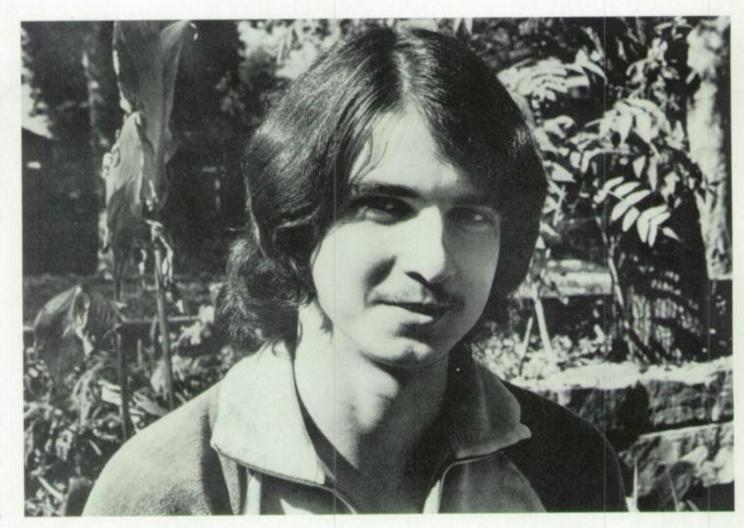


Valerie McGhee

Honza Krulich -

Dear Mr. Fantasy,
Play me a tune.
Something to
make us all
happy.

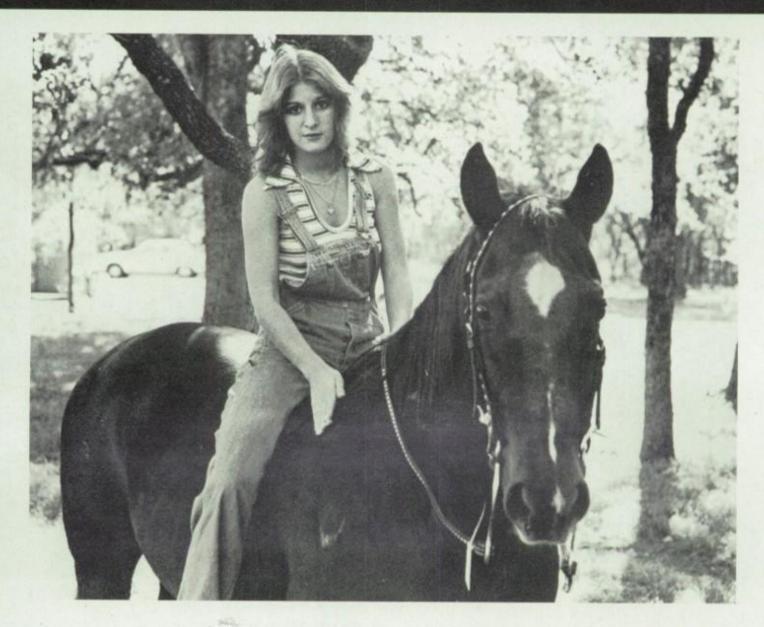
(Traffic)



Vivica LaMarsh -

I love you all, and I'll miss you very much.





Brenda Bradburn



David Phillips —

Sometimes in confusion I felt so lost and disillusioned, innocence gave confidence to go up against reality.

(Rush)

Amy Crayton —
Upon us all, a little
rain must fall.
(Led Zeppelin)





Ron Mills —

The timid folk beseech me the wise ones warn me.

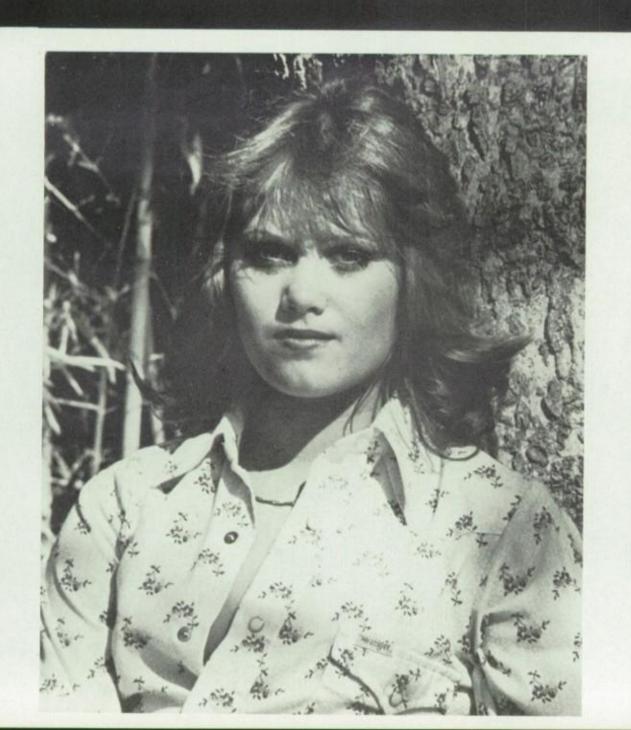
They say that I shall never grow to stand so high.

But I climb among the hill of clouds and follow vanished lightning. I shall be deep in thunder with my head against the sky.



Hey baby we like your lips
Hey baby we like your pants
All aboard for funtime
Fun
I don't need no heavy trips
I just do what I want to do
Fun
Everybody we want in
We want some
All aboard for funtime.

(Iggy Pop)

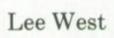


Michelle Evans —

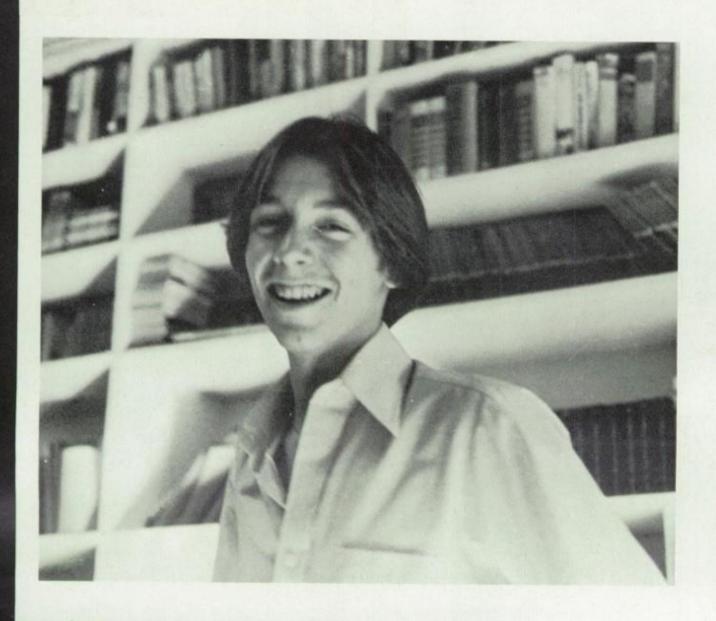
I've always been crazy, but it's kept me from going insane.



Paula Graham





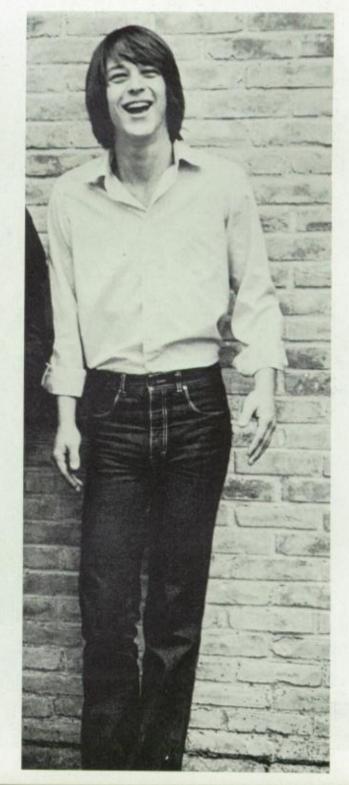


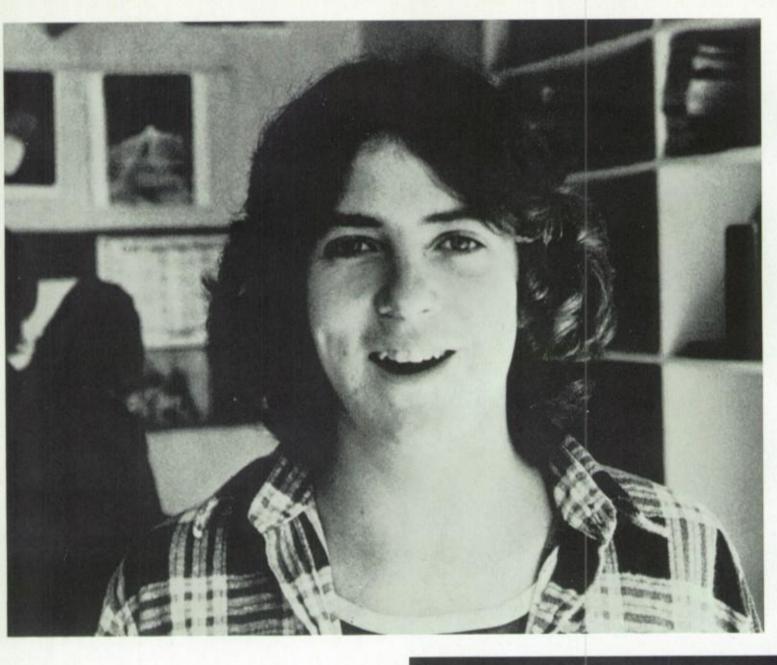
Scott Massey —

My eyes have just been opened, and they're opened very wide.
Images around me don't identify inside Just one blur I recognize —
The one that soothes and feeds.
My way of life is easy And as simple are my needs.
(Lee, Lifeson, and Peart)

Hy Houdek —

Life on earth, take it for what
it's worth:
We are all part of the Universe.
You are all my brothers.
Use your heads,
Use your hearts,
Save yourselves.
(Todd Rundgren)





Richard Andrews —

It's time for me to ramble on.

Jennifer Girsdansky





Tracy Skinner —

I'm on the train to Bangkok, aboard the Thailand Express.

(Rush)

Paul Marshall





I experimented
...
creations
of my mind ...

Left: Linda Thompson

Below: John Osborne —

Rust never sleeps.

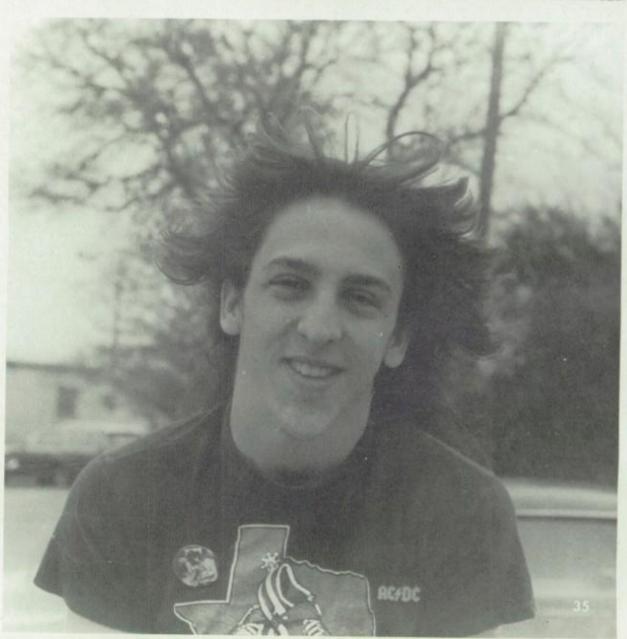


until I learned what I could build.



Susan Thayer — Life — Is to die for!

Jim Suhler



The Board and Director of Walden



left to right: Tom Miller, Marie Loar, Jack Johnson





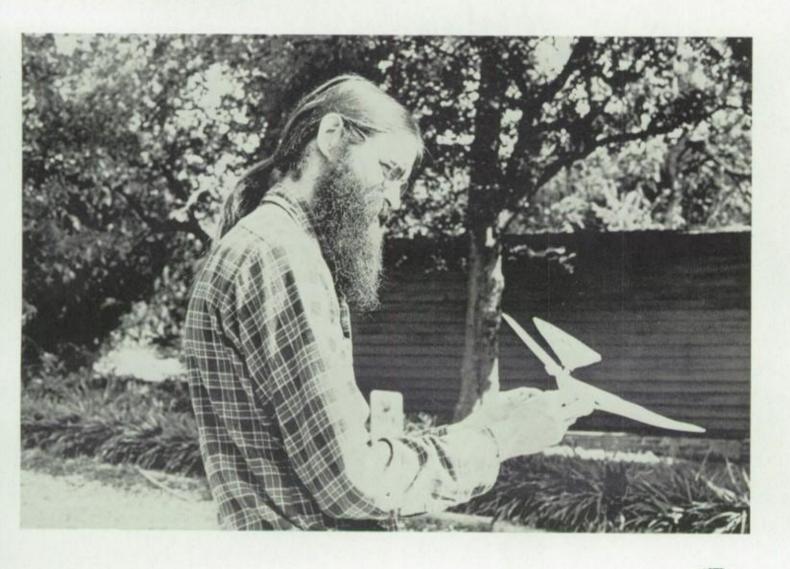
And our Friend





Earsley Mattocks — friend, helper, believer

FACULTY



Stephen Houpt



Sandy McKean Goodin







Paula Doty Michael Flanigan







Elisa Berger Larry Stone





Linda Shasberger









Bruce Bradshaw





Pamela Ezell



Walter Chapin









One clear, late summer afternoon, we all gathered with lunch and guitar





Susan put on her shades and the crowd was amazed.

Vivica, Jude and Jennifer led the pack. How were we supposed to know they had kept up practice since kindergarten?

PICNIC!





Above are only a few of the "turkeys" that came to see the action.

We discovered with Brad that you don't need legs to jump rope — in fact it's easier!

in the back. Then someone got a bright idea — Jump rope! Everyone got out of hand . . .





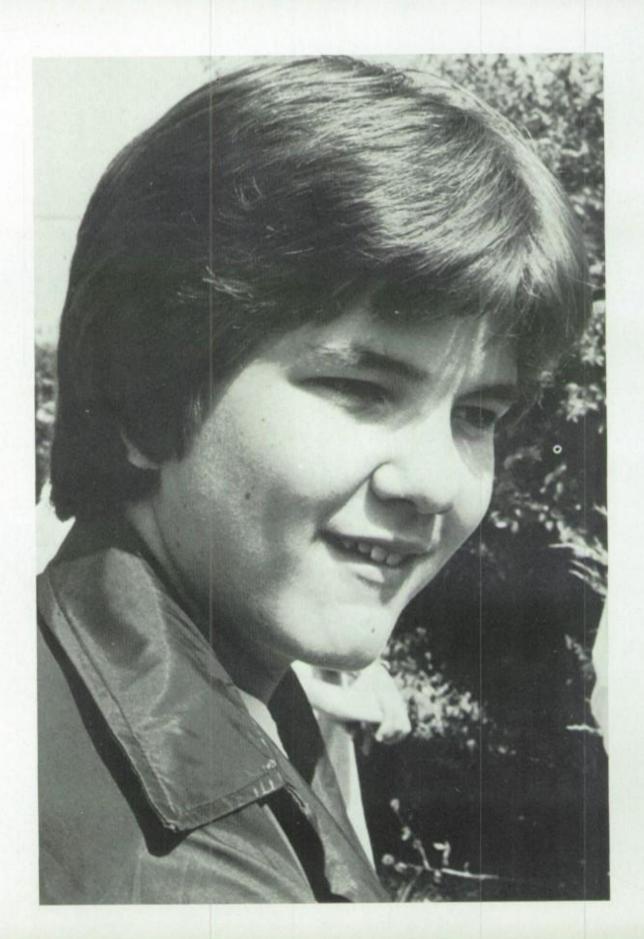


FUTURE SENIORS

I was at the beginning of the end in a long maze of doors.

I find the only key, my friend, that works is the one that breaks life loose to send the peace that is mine.

Jay Byrd





Paul Vaughn

Madonna Guerrin





Greg Lewis

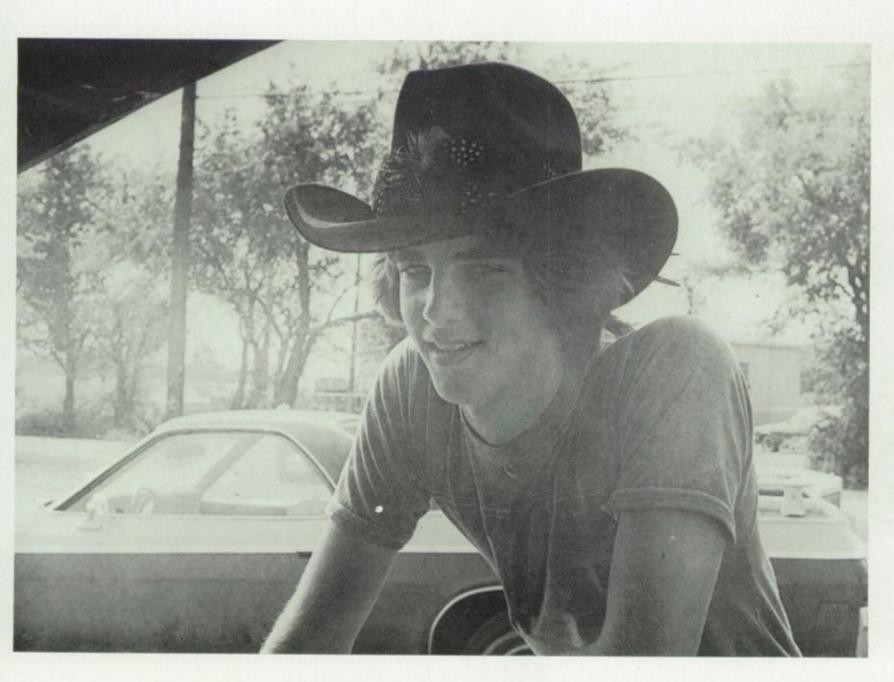
Ronnie Haynie





Holly Reese

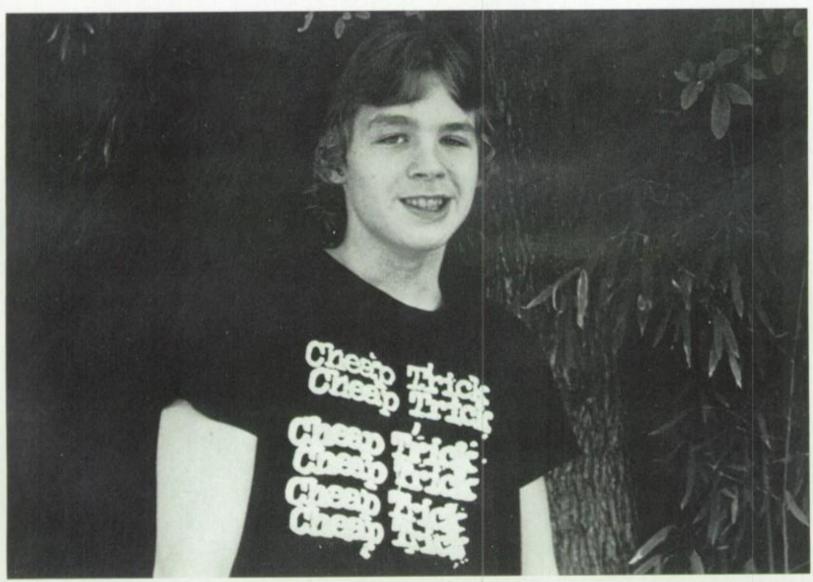
Kirk Lau





Left: Bunnie Mecaskey

Below: Rob Drake

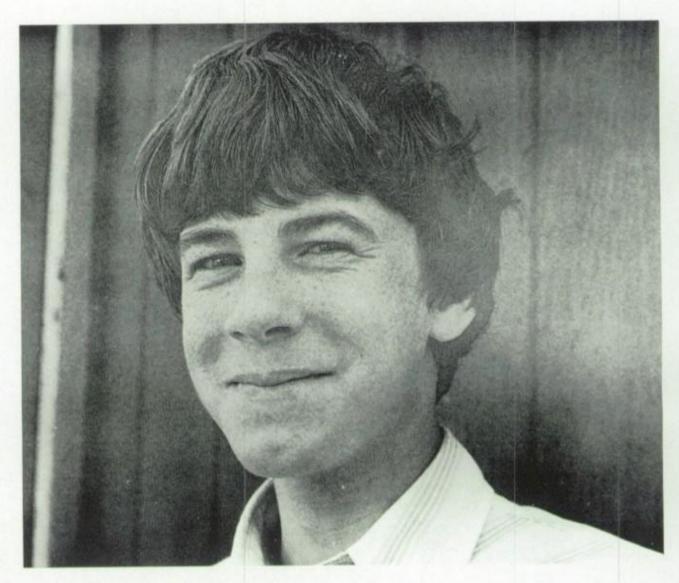




Left: Tracy Williamson

Below: Bill Bookman





Jim Alexander



Ha Pham



Thoman Nixon



Karen Barnett



Bill Robertson

Cheryl Murchison



Missy Spillman



David Galloway





H. G. Powell

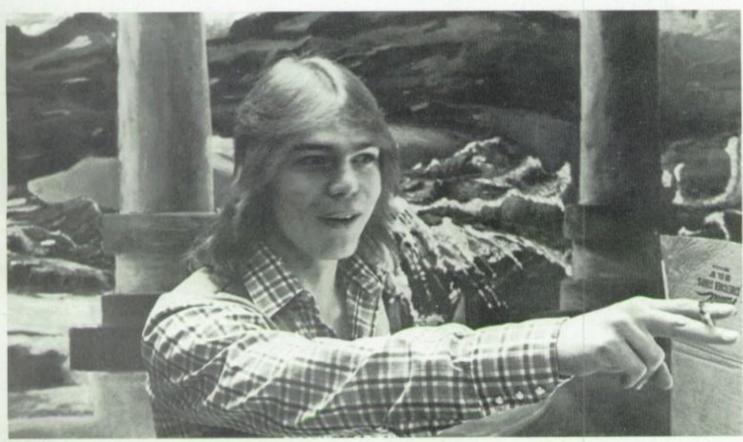


Greg Harris





Tim Glass



Sean Robinson



David Dial

Mike Sides



Mark Rothstein





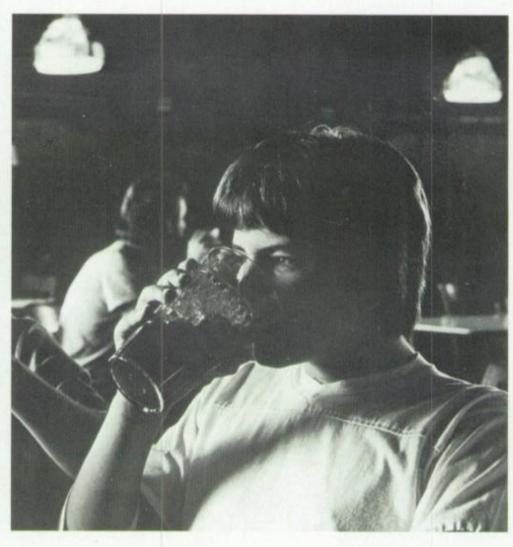
Scott Stewart



MY FEARS!

They attack when I least expect it!





Kidnapped by someone who drinks rootbeer!





People with heads and no arms, or with no body at all!

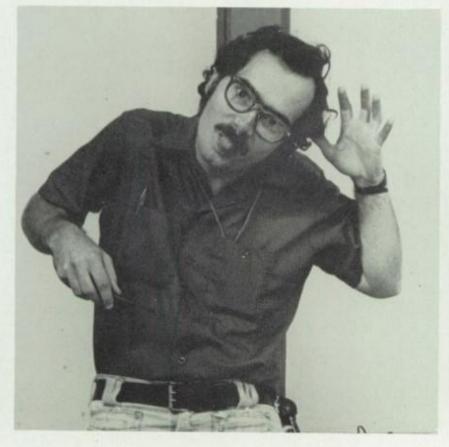
Hearing the plant behind me talking!





Discovering that "Pepsodent smile" while trying to enjoy a bit of nature.

Finding out what "Peppers" are really like!



Learning grown-ups aren't safe to be around at times!

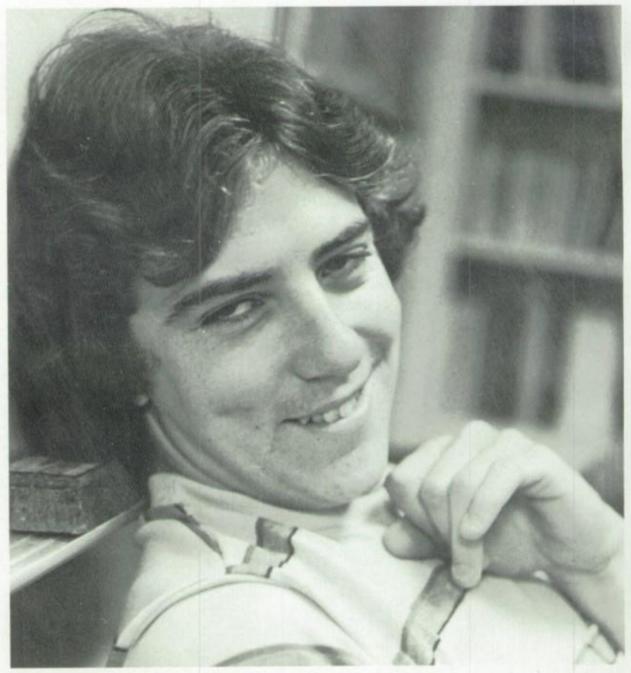


Even missing my nails when I need to bite them!



Then someone told me that only thing to fear . . .

FEAR itself!





So next time the UNEXPECTED happens

. . .

Stay cool!



I AM . . .







a person who loves nature, a dreamer and a realist, a builder of beauty, and a destroyer of bad faith.









 $\ldots \text{ different things to each} \\ \text{person I meet.}$

I am a unity of their reflections.



UNICORN ...

Some say the Unicorn is dead, along with the smell of a new morning and the fear of a winter frost. Yet he lives within the Mind's Eye and the heart.

On this long, lonely road she walks in this world.

She is lost can't seem to find her way. Many walks she's taken hoping to discover her dreams. suppose she has taken the wrong turns and fallen in too many streams.

She has found the feeling that hurt gives and what lying and cheating can bring.

Where is the path she must take to all the answers she must find?

The hope, happiness, and love she has to share.

Always on the rocky road she trips;

She is tired of stumbling.

Someone show her a smooth road where she may walk.

She is willing to climb the highest hill to reach the highest dream.

Lead her on a hopeful path to she can find her way and discover the dreams that she seeks for today.

Jennifer Girsdansky

"m not amused,
a bit confused —
what have you seen?
"m not asking you
to shape up your life,
just asking where you've been.
Tell me your story
of the years behind,
Then I'll tell you mine.

Then I'll tell you mine.
I'm on the inside
looking outside,

Feeling very dark.

- Tim Hawkins



For John Lennon and Others

A man stepped into the eleventh hour darkness to be met by a cold hard flame of death.

A spirit fled into the night, and his song ended — his destiny unfulfilled.

The world paused a moment to mourn, for he was a bond — One of those rare men taught by the gods to sing divinely, and men gave ever honored their minstrel.

We wept, not for the man, whom we did not know,

But for the loss of his music.

Death, unsatiated, did not pause.

An old woman feebly sensed his presence in gleaming silent steel as her life was bartered for a few crumpled bills.

Another spirit hastened toward infinity, unnoticed, and unaccompanied by the dirges of men.

Our caring is limited and tears of grief, like precious jewels, are dearly bought.

She had not the price -

Not one song or one moment of glory to exchange for one tear.

And so she died in silence — Or did the gods rejoice in choruses unheard by man,

As two spirits, naked and indistinguishable merged with infinity.

Linda Shasberger

Childhood Is . . .

Not sleeping on Christmas Eve, hoping you can hear Santa Claus fall down the chimney. Having to sit pretty with Mom's company when you wish you could be running around with the older boys outside.

Wishing you didn't have a baby sister who gets all the attention and is spoiled rotten.

Being an expert on lying about where all the cookies went that Mom just bought.

Fantasizing about becoming a movie star.

Getting into Mom's makeup and dressing in her evening gowns when she goes shopping.

— Jennifer Girsdansky

Going trick-or-treating on Halloween night.

Playing hopscotch or playing on monkey bars.

Having rock fights in between houses and getting hit with one.

Fighting with big brother and changing little sister's diapers.

Taking care of pet rats.

Walking on the "white" brick road.

Having to go to church and sit still for one whole hour.

Having little sister call me "mommie."

- Linda Thompson

Playing dirty tricks on the prettiest girl in kindergarten.

Sitting on your father's lap when he comes home from work, and getting him in a good mood!

Crying for your mother when your father has left home . . .

Having your big brother use your Mickey Mouse turntable to play a Grand Funk album for his best friend.

- Susan Thayer

Beating up all the boys because they won't kiss you.

Watching cartoons.

Being Jumprope Queen at your elementary school.

Playing army with your brother and taking all his men as prisoners.

Taking big brother's bike.

Hiding your little sister's favorite shoes and saying you haven't seen them in weeks!

Playing sick so you don't have to go to school.

Wanting everything you see.

Needing all the attention — forget brothers and sisters!

- Michelle Evans

Always remaining a child so I may watch the dance of the trees and talk of dreams with the moonbeams.

— Elisa Berger

And a lot still left ahead! I've got my memories. Memories are things too special to forget. I have my friends; Friends are people too special to let go. I have this fear of age; Old is supposed to be an ugly word. But I've seen old in other people, And they didn't look ugly to me. No one dies young. We age a little in everything we do, And we all do a lot. A have love: Love is a power we all possess. I have freedom' freedom is what we call our own. But a wise man once said, "There is no freedom." I say he's wrong.

With all my years behind me

Considering all that I have now, There is really nothing that I need I'm quite content. And I'll probably still be if I died now, But don't hold me to it. There's a lot I haven't seen. And too much I haven't said. I want a little time of my own. We expect too much of others, And so little if any, of ourselves. I want to get to know myself better How strange a thing to ask for If you look at it, look at it good. If you look at me, Look at me good. I may seem young, But I've been around A long time. Jennifer Keen

Old man
In the bed,
Are you ill
Because you're
Old
Or just
Impatient?

- Tim Hawkins



My mind is being drawn
through a pen
It lays upon the paper
and stares at my face
melted dreams fill my spirit,
now
The walls crumble to dust,
beyond the sun
And the fools play
Their mind games.
My head is pounding with thoughts,
that I'm not thinking

Someone speaks clear to me, but I cannot hear their voices Music blows within my mind and in this calling back I can hear my thoughts react. The sun and the moon The earth and the sky and all the things that seem to pass by from beginning to end. Never to live or to die.

Jude Koons



A Great Man

My grandmother stood behind the camera. Her subject, a beautiful baby girl, had never been photographed before.

"Bryan, will you stand on your head?"
"Sure!" I stood on my head and made funny faces at the girl. She stared at me and then started gurgling happily.

"Thank you," my grandmother said as she took

picture after picture.

Several summers ago, I spent two weeks with my grandparents. They own a photographic studio in Winnsboro and a thirty-acre farm outside of town. At the farm, I explored the many pastures and wooded areas. The cattle paid little attention to me, so I left them alone.

After dinner, I built a dam in the creek. My grandfather came from the house to look at it. I really admire that man. He built a house in his backyard. I guess it was more of a workshop, but it was as big as my parents' house.

My grandfather owned a foreign car. It barely had room for two people, and it looked very ugly, but I loved to ride in it.

Every night, my grandfather and I built a fire by the creek. Sitting in chairs by the fire, the sounds of the country would overwhelm my mind — so much life that I could hear sense, all around me.

All of this excitement went on for two weeks - I had the time of my life. As I grew older, I still visited them several times a year. My grandfather was not getting any younger; he started visiting a lung specialist more and more often.

"Hello, Granddad," I said hesitantly. My grandfather lay in a bed, several machines managed and marked his

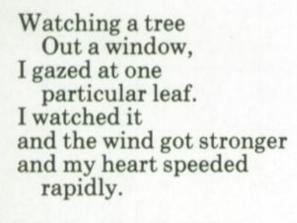
life. I didn't like being there.

"Hey!" My grandfather greeted me weakly, but enthusiastically. My parents told me that he might live for many more years. I go to visit, but the fire burns no longer.

I Hear The Sun

A tree whispers to the wind As it blows the leaves from side to side. Tell me of the grass and flowers That sing to the sun and sky. Are they disturbed by the airplane That flies over them and screams for destruction? I sit, think and wonder. The sights before me are so peaceful. I am sorry for the man Who cannot see them. Does he imagine the sights That I can see? Can I imagine the things That he hears? No reason to waste my thoughts on That I can't hear. I am deaf.

- Susan Thayer



The leaf finally fell and I felt my life fading away, yet born again.

- Tim Hawkins



Dazedly he stood there, not knowing what to say.
The words at the moment had not a damn thing to play.
Calmly reaching for a heart of steel, he ran in a circle, a circle of fear.
Praised was the time and still was the day;
Dark was the love that decided to fly away;
Singing out the pain that held to the soul.
He fell in the mist, not knowing where to go.

- Jude Koons

If it wasn't for the memory of some people that I know I don't think I'd be trying, Just be drowning in the Blues.

I remember the people I want to I speak to the people I choose,' I look at many lifetimes, I watch as many lose.

I wish I had a profession (I'd go to work every day) So when it came to Friday I could pick up my pay.

- Tim Hawkins

I just found myself crying.
It was the sadness of my soul.
Trying, I found myself.
To reach an understanding.
I fought against my feelings,
To contain my sadness.
But being in the dark,
I could not see from where they
Were coming.

- Jennifer Keen

Poem of an Empty House (For Miloe)

I walk through empty halls of a place I used to know in wornout dreams. Do you see the people who have died here? Can you hear the voices talking to me?

No one can possibly see, in reality,
The things I see in my mind.
How vivid the colors and lights are to me.
I wonder if it happened this way before.

Maybe to somebody else, not to me, Nothing ever happens to me. I just float from day to day on a stream of sun and rain, no joys.

Everything I've ever known, I've forgotten My friends, my parents, my animals. But the people who died still surround me I know this isn't a dream I'm dead.

- Susan Thayer

Feel

Friend that say they're friends
(But aren't)
Lovers who make love
(But can't)
They don't feel
But my emotions
They steal — till I can't feel.

Love is shared between you and me (You just take)
There is no love — we talk (You listen)
Now I don't feel
But your emotions
I steal — and now you don't feel.

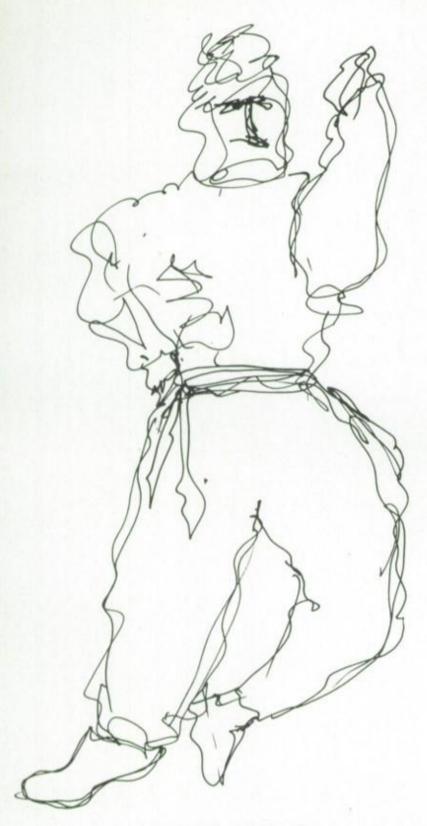
You said I loved you, friend I said I love you, love Guess my watch is wrong I guess my timing's off.

1 year ago you loved me, love But I need no love Guess my emotion is wrong I guess my love is off.

Now I'm the victim
Of crazy feelings —
Guess my calendar's wrong.
I guess our date is off.

- Jon Lacey





Etching-Ha Pham

The masks that were me Were torn off by you Stomped in the ground bleeding and screaming who

You picked up
My least favorite one
Put on me
And left with a run.

- Jon Lacey

Reflect Upon Your Reflections

When you get what you want in struggle for self. And the world makes you royalty for a day, Just go to the mirror and look at yourself. And see what that person has to say.

For it isn't your father, mother or friends
Whose judgment you must pass.
The one whose verdict on which your life depends
Is the image staring back in the glass.
That's the person to please,
Never mind all the rest,
For that is the one with you clear up to the end.

And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test If the reflection in the glass is your friend, You may fool the whole world down the pathway of years, And get pats on the back as you pass,

But your final reward will be heartaches and tears If you've cheated the one in the glass.

Bunnie Mecaskey

I wanted to write
A song for you
But the music wasn't right
And the words weren't true

One way things Get old quick And the boring one nites There making me sick

Baby, when it rains, Sunshine it pours And loves, the girls I know, Are all just bores

So gimme a kiss Tell me it's okay I know it's a lie Here's where it'll stay

- Jon Lacey

There was a room. A candle lit on a dresser, And near it, a photograph of a young mam. I saw in the flickering light, The shadow of all that was present. A brass bed, a quilt, a vanity, And a young woman. She sat quiet in a gown and robe, Listening to a piano and violin concerto. She held in her hands a lovely pattern in lace, It was to be her wedding dress. She held it up, and then placed her body next to it, Holding it closer to feel it better. Admiring her self, she was beautiful. She went towards the bed, and placed it nearly on top, Making sure nothing would wrinkle. She then took the corners of her robe, And danced lightly around the room, So nicely with the soft music. She swayed back and forth, from corner to corner, Gentle and easy, and then stopped before the dresser. Her hand was holding her heart, As when stared into the eyes of the face in the Photograph. He was so to be her husband, And she his wife. No longer would she be a girl, She would then be a woman. She took the photograph to her lips and gently Kissed it, As the music ended, And all you could hear was the scratching of the record That sounded from the worn out victrola. And then the candle went out.

If that could be me, I said,
It would be nice.
But it wouldn't be as beautiful
As in the dream.

- Jennifer Keen

I needed a brain
But we aren't selling any
I needed a god
But I couldn't believe any
I needed a love
But I didn't have any
I really did but
She wouldn't take any
I need too
But she wouldn't give any
Make me believe
You love me too
Make me believe
You wouldn't
— Jon Lacey



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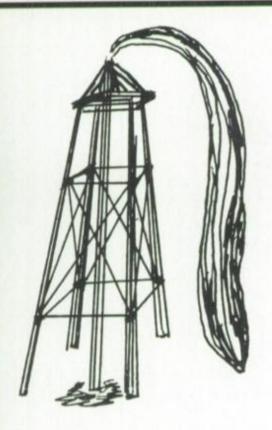
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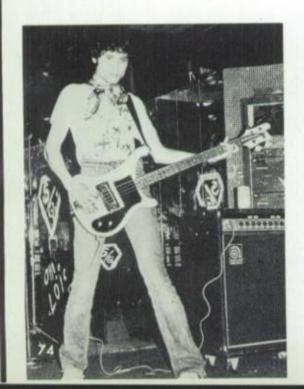
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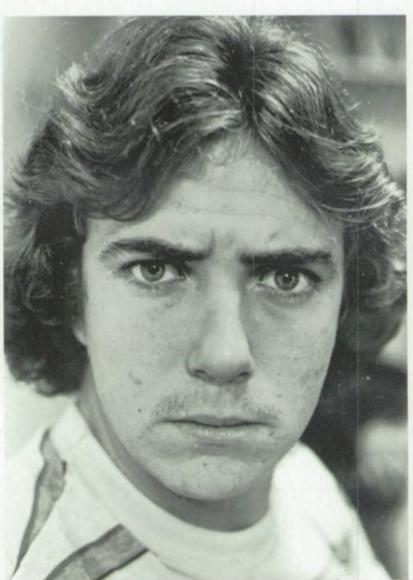


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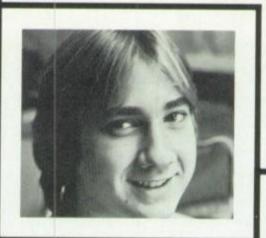
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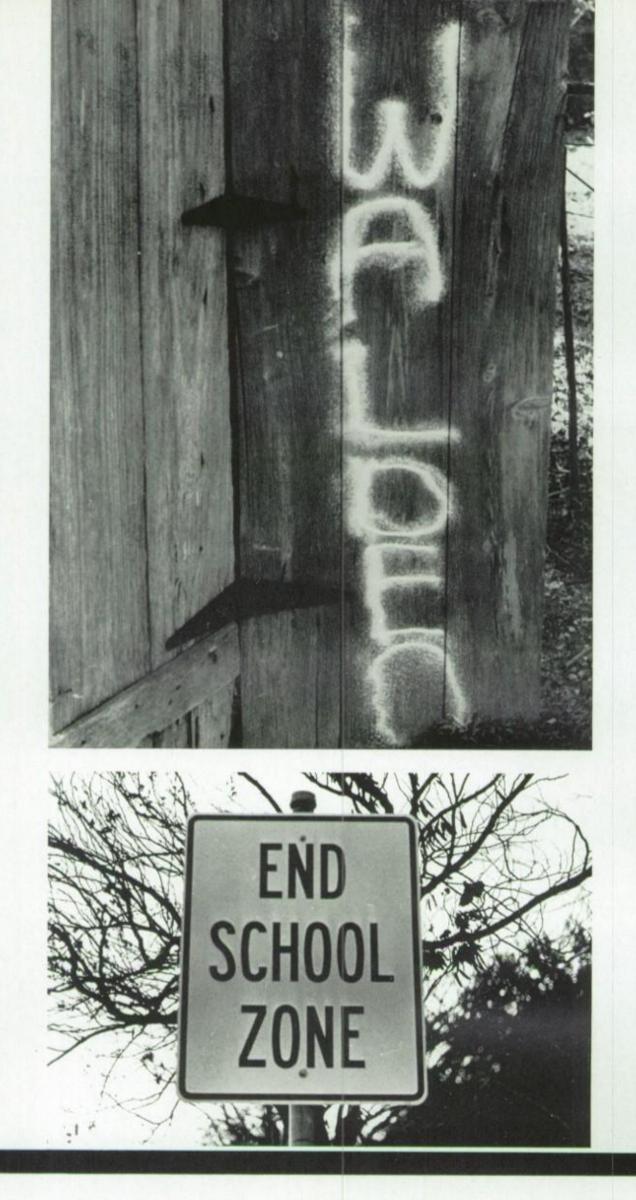
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